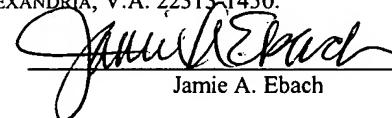


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NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the following documents:

1. New national stage patent application which is a copy of the international application PCT/EP2003/010049 (in English) that includes: Specification (15 pgs), 17 Claims (2 pgs), Abstract (1 pg); Figures 1-3 (3 pgs);
2. Preliminary Amendment (6 pgs);
3. Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by 1 inventor (2 pgs);
4. Copy of front page of the WO Publication (WO 2004/024205 A1)(1 pg);
5. Copy of Notice Informing the Applicant of the Communication of the International Application to the Designated Offices (PCT/IB/308) (1 pg.);
6. Copy of PCT International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210) (4 pgs);
7. Copy of International Preliminary Examination Report w/amended claims (PCT/IPEA/416 & 409) (12 pgs);
8. Information Disclosure Statement and PTO Form 1449 (3 pgs) with copies of non-US patent references;
9. A check in the amount of \$900.00 for the basic national fee under 37 CFR 1.492(a)(5) for Large Entity (\$900);
10. Postcard.

PRIORITY CLAIM

This application claims priority from International application PCT/EP2003/010049, having a PCT publication number of WO 2004/024205 A1, which was filed on September 10, 2003, which in turn claims priority from German patent application number DE 102 41 962.0, which was filed on September 10, 2002 and German patent application number DE 103 31 324.9, which was filed on July 10, 2003. Likewise, this national stage patent application claims priority from German patent application number DE 102 41 962.0, which was filed on September 10, 2002 and German patent application number DE 103 31 324.9, which was filed on July 10, 2003.

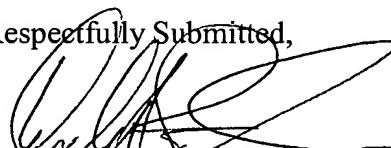
This Request is being submitted in accordance with the "Express Mail" procedures under Rule 37 C.F.R. 1.10. The above-mentioned documents are being submitted on March 8, 2005 to enter the national stage in the United States under 35 U.S.C. 371. Examination of this application is respectfully requested.

If the fee submitted herewith is incorrect, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficit (or credit any overpayment) to our Deposit Account No. 50-1775 and notify us of the same.

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